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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>METHOD FOR ANTICIPATING, DELAYING AND/OR PREVENTING THE RISK OF SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION AND/OR EXPLOSION OF AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE</b>		

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I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Attn: Examiner Hung T. Nguyen, at fax no. 703.872.9306, on September 2, 2004.

By: Name: Hung T. Nguyen**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on June 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks and arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.